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INFORMATION DISCLOSURE STATEMENT PURSUANT TO 37 CFR 1.97(b)

Assistant Commissioner For Patents Washington, D.C. 20231

Sir:

Applicants request that the references listed on the enclosed Form PTO-1449 be made of record in the present application. A copy of each of references AA-AG is enclosed.

In accordance with the duty of disclosure imposed by 37 C.F.R. § 1.56 to inform the Patent and Trademark Office of all references coming to the attention of each individual associated with the filing or prosecution of the subject application, which are or may be material to the patentability of any claim of the subject application, Attorneys for Applicants hereby direct the Examiner's attention to the references AA-AP listed on the attached Form PTO 1449.

Copies of references AH-AR were submitted by Applicants or cited by the Examiner in connection with U.S. Patent Application Serial No. 08/820,970, filed March 19, 1997, to which the instant application claims priority under 35 U.S.C. § 120. Pursuant to 37 C.F.R. § 1.98(d), the Examiner is directed to the file of U. S. Patent Application Serial No. 08/820,970 for copies of references AH-AR.

Applicants also wish to bring to the attention of the Examiner that SEQ ID NO:1 and the corresponding clone(s) of the captioned application are related to: (1) SEQ ID NO:170 in copending U.S. Patent Application Serial No. 08/221,623; (2) SEQ ID NO:274 in copending U.S. Patent Application Serial No. 09/189,834; (3) SEQ ID NO:2128 in copending U.S. Patent Application No. 08/221,623; and (4) SEQ ID NO:9848 in copending U.S. Patent

The above information is presented so that the Patent and Trademark Office can determine any materiality thereof to the claimed invention. See 37 CFR 1.104(a) and 1.106(b) concerning the PTO duty to consider and use any such information. It is respectfully requested that the information be considered during the prosecution of this application.

The Assistant Commissioner is authorized to charge our Deposit Account No. 08-3425 for any fee which may be required in connection with this submission.

Respectfully submitted,

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